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Subject: Thurston Energy Operating, access road, pipeline and well pad for the Thurston 12-29-09-24  
RDCC Project No. 20520

Dear Stephanie Howard:

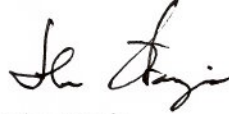
The State of Utah, through the Public Lands Policy Coordination Office (PLPCO), has reviewed this project. Utah Code (Section 63J-4-601, *et. seq.*) designates PLPCO as the entity responsible to coordinate the review of technical and policy actions that may affect the physical resources of the state, and to facilitate the exchange of information on those actions among federal, state, and local government agencies. As part of this process, PLPCO makes use of the Resource Development Coordinating Committee (RDCC). The RDCC includes representatives from the state agencies that are generally involved or impacted by public lands management.

**Division of Air Quality**

The proposed project is subject to R307-205-5: Fugitive Dust, of the Utah Air Quality Rules, due to the fugitive dust that is generated during the excavating phases of the project. These rules apply to construction activities that disturb an area greater than 1/4 acre in size. A permit, known as an Approval Order, is not required from the Executive Secretary of the Air Quality Board, but steps need to be taken to minimize fugitive dust, such as watering and/or chemical stabilization, providing vegetative or synthetic cover or windbreaks. A copy of the rules may be found at [www.rules.utah.gov/publicat/code/r307/r307.htm](http://www.rules.utah.gov/publicat/code/r307/r307.htm).

The State of Utah appreciates the opportunity to review this proposal and we look forward to working with you on future projects. Please direct any other written questions regarding this correspondence to the Public Lands Policy Coordination Office at the address below, or call Judy Edwards at (801) 537-9023.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John Harja".

John Harja  
Director

cc: Joel Karmazyn, DEQ/DAQ